

© COPY ©

Page 1

Attorney's Docket No. RUSS17.001APC

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY- USA PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled AN AUTOMATED MAINTENANCE SYSTEM; International Application No. PCT/NZ/00106, filed on August 29, 1997;

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above;

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56;

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATIONS

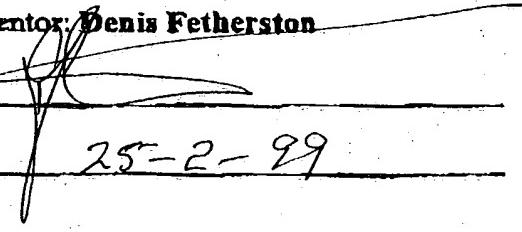
Priority
Claimed

| | | | |
|-------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|-----|
| No.: 286393 | Country: New Zealand | Date Filed: August 29, 1996 | Yes |
| No.: 328559 | Country: New Zealand | Date Filed: August 15, 1997 | Yes |

POWER OF ATTORNEY: I hereby appoint the registrants of Knobbe, Martens, Olson & Bear, LLP, 620 Newport Center Drive, Sixteenth Floor, Newport Beach, California 92660, Telephone (949) 760-0404, Customer No. 20,995.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Full name of sole inventor: Denis Fetherston

Inventor's signature 

Date _____

25-2-99

COPY

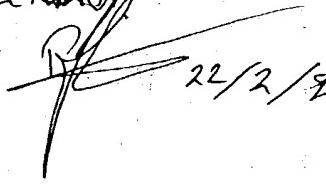
Pag 2

Attorney's Docket No. RUSS17.001APC

22 View Road Campbells Bay Auckland

Residence: 18 Hamish Place, Pakuranga, Auckland 1706, New Zealand

Citizenship: New Zealand

 22/2/99

Post Office Address: Same as above

Send Correspondence To:

KNOBBE, MARTENS, OLSON & BEAR, LLP

Customer No. 20,995

F:\DOCS\MC\RUSS17APC\DECL.PWR.DOC
022499